Spray Dried Porcine Blood

Porcine blood is currently <u>prohibited</u> import into Korea from the United States.

However, the Korean government has authorized certain US facilities to export the product to Korea. The criteria for these authorizations are not known.

Because Korea has officially prohibited the import of porcine blood products, APHIS is unable to issue export certificates for porcine blood products to Korea, unless the exporter is able to demonstrate that the Korean government has authorized the import of the material.

In cases where the Korean importer is able to obtain the required authorization from Korea, the following certification statements are believed to be required. As always, the exporter must have their importer confirm, prior to shipment, that the issued certificate will be acceptable to Korean authorities.

"The United States has been free of foot-and-mouth disease and swine vesicular disease for 2 years prior to export; and is free from rinderpest, peste des petitis ruminants, contagious bovine pleuropneumonia, Rift Valley fever, sheep pox, African swine fever, and lumpy skin disease for 3 years prior to export. Vaccination against these diseases is prohibited in the United States.

Certified materials do not contain protein derived from ruminants.

This office has on file an affidavit from the manufacturer, verifying the accuracy of the statements below.

The products for export were derived from animals born and raised in the United States or Canada or that were resident in the United States for at least 3 months.

The products for export contain animal origin ingredients derived from animals that were slaughtered in slaughterhouses which were approved by the government of the exporting country and from animals that passed ante mortem examination presented for post mortem inspection by government authorities of the exporting country.

The animal products for export were processed, stored, and transported in such a manner as to prevent contamination by communicable animal disease pathogens."